

Come Help Us Build Our Future

Welcome to the General Management Plan for Hopewell Furnace National Historic Site. This national park contains the remains of an 18th and 19th century iron plantation. The historic village consists of a blast furnace and cast house, water wheel, iron master's mansion, store, tenant houses, barn and other historic buildings strung along a historic road and surrounded by pastures, orchards and forests.

The National Park Service (NPS) has just begun a multi-year planning effort examining the condition of the park and discussing what it should look like in the future. We invite you to join us as we develop a blueprint for the park's future. This blueprint, called a General Management Plan, will guide the park's resource protection and facility development efforts and their goals for the visitor's experience over the next 20 to 25 years.

The first step is to identify the resource management, facility development, interpretation and visitor experience issues that the public feels are important to discuss during this planning effort. Join us in a series of open houses and meetings at the park to discuss your thoughts and concerns, or send them to me electronically or by mail. The addresses are on the back page of this newsletter.

I look forward to beginning this process and hearing from you.

Bill Sanders
Superintendent